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FROM PECK

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: AMOCO OPERATIONS IN GULF OF SUEZ

REF: CAIRO 8480

1. CAMPBELL SAYS HE HAS NOW CONFIRMED THAT NO RPT NO EGYPTIAN NAVAL CRAFT INVOLVED IN ANY WAY WITH AMOCO'S VESSELS IN AREA OF AUGUST 17 INCIDENT.

2. IN SLIGHT SWITCH OF POSITION FROM LAST CONTACT, CAMPBELL NOW INSISTS THAT COMPANY WOULD NEVER ASK FOR AND WOULD NOT WANT EGYPTIAN MILITARY ESCORTS SINCE THIS WOULD MAKE A PURELY COMMERCIAL OPERATION HIGHLY POLITICAL, THEREBY PLAYING INTO ISRAELI HANDS.

3. CAMPBELL ADVISES HE IS PREPARING A LETTER TO AMBASSADOR, LAYING OUT COMPANY'S POSITION ON SUBJECT OF EXPLORATION IN GULF OF SUEZ AND STEPS INTENDS TO TAKE IN NEAR FUTURE. LETTER IS TO BE DELIVERED TODAY.

4. COMMENT. I HAVE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT CAMPBELL IS
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FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FROM HOME OFFICE. AMOCO MAY BELIEVE

THAT NOW IS APPROPRIATE TIME TO FORCE RESOLUTION OF PROBLE.
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